

Maranatha Fellowship CRC
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Sunday, June 12, 2022, 10:00 AM

Week 2 – Faith in Action

Message: Noah Walked Faithfully with God, and God Saved His Family

Scripture: Genesis 6:9-22, 7:1-2, 8:1-2, and 9:15-16

Context

According to Genesis 5:1-32, there were altogether ten patriarchs after Seth and 500 years earlier than Noah, with whom the worship of God remains pure. However, according to Genesis 6:1-2, when human beings began to increase in number on the earth and daughters were born to them, the sons of God by adoption saw the daughters of humans, who were in their original conditions. The sons of God married any of them they chose. As a result, their families were corrupted. Genesis 6:5 explains: The LORD saw how great the wickedness of the human race had become on the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of the human heart was only evil all the time. Genesis 6:11-12 states that the earth was corrupt in God's sight and was full of violence. God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people had corrupted their ways.

The family of Seth cherished the pure and lawful worship of God, but the greater part of this family was ruled by sin. Seth's offspring mingled with Cain's children and other people who did not worship God. Thus, the children of Seth voluntarily deprived themselves of the grace of God. The sons of God were supposed to consecrate themselves from profane nations so that the Church of God might exist. They did not observe that way. The writer of Genesis, Moses, pointed out that the most extreme disorder happened when sons of the pious, to whom God had set aside to himself from others as his own, became degenerate.

According to Genesis 4:2, the sons of God saw that the daughters of humans were beautiful, and they married any of them they chose. The sons of God did not fear God; instead, they wandered and rushed onward to illicit marriages after their lust. The sons of God yoke with unbelievers. As a result, over time, they become degenerate. The sons of God should not have mingled with the wicked. They profaned from the worship of God and fell away from the faith.

God's covenant people came by the line of salvation by grace through faith. By faith, Abel brought to God a better offering. God spoke well of his offering and was commended righteous by Him. Abel was killed by his brother Cain, but he speaks to us by faith even when he is dead.

God used Noah to warn of things not yet seen in his time. He faithfully obeyed God's instructions. Noah built the Ark in holy fear to save his family. By faith, he condemned his world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith.

For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark, and; they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man (Matthew 24:38-39).

Outline

- I. Introduction
 - A. Opening Story: Listening Matters
 - B. **Context:** Before the Flood – From Cain to Seth and Noah

- II. God and Noah's World
 - A. The Wickedness of Noah's Generation (Gen. 6:1-2, v.11-13)
 - B. God's Judgement (Gen. 6:17)
 - C. Some Practical Implications
 - Illus:** A Reef-ridden Rock-bound Coast and Its Inhabitant's Story

- III. Noah and the Flood
 - A. Noah Found Favor in the Eyes of the LORD (Gen. 6:8-10,
 - B. God Makes Noah the Man of His Covenant (Gen. 6:18)
 - C. God Directs Noah to Build the Ark (Gen. 6:14-21)
 - Illus:** "The Coast Must Be Off!"

- IV. Conclusion: God Saved Noah's Family
 - A. The Sign of God's Covenant: The Rainbow
 - B. Come to Christ: He is our Ark of Safety and Salvation!

Questions and Answers:

1. What did Eve say after she gave birth to Seth? (Refer to Genesis 4:25, NIV). "God has granted me another child in place of _____ since Cain killed him" (Genesis 4:25b). A. Abel B. Seth C. Noah D. Lamech
2. Seth also had a son, and he named him Enosh. At that time, people: A. began to call on the name of the LORD B. idol gods c. Did not care about God D. None of the above (Refer Genesis 5:26)
3. According to Genesis 5:1-32, there were altogether ____ patriarchs after Seth and 500 years earlier than Noah, with whom the worship of God remained pure. A. 5 B. 10 C. 15 D. 20 (Refer to Genesis 5:1-32)
4. How many years did Adam live? Adam lived a total of: A. 130 B. 777 C. 962 D. 930 (Genesis 5:5).
5. When human beings began to increase in number on earth and daughters were born to them, the _____ saw that daughters of humans were beautiful, and they married any of them they chose (Genesis 6:1-2, NIV).
6. So the Lord said, "I will wipe from the face of the earth the _____ I have created – and with them the _____, _____ and the creatures that move along the ground – for I regret that I have made them" (Genesis 6:7).
7. What was the Lord going to wipe from the face of the earth? A. Human Race B. Animals C. Birds D. All of the Above in (Fill in your answers on Q #6 above)
8. But _____ found favor in the eyes of the Lord (Genesis 6:8) A. Jared B. Enosh C. Lamech D. Noah
9. And God said, "...I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth (Genesis 9:12-13)." This is God's _____ of the covenant. A. Sign B. Rainbow C. Promise D. Clouds
10. For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; and; they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and flood took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man (Matthew 24:38-39).
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12. Who is our Ark of Safety and Salvation? A. Jesus B. Son of Man C. Both A and B D. None